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## EDUCATIONAL VALUE

An Eastern student works to increase his net worth by \$40 for a class project.

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Eastern's women's soccer team still looks for a victory this season after a 3-0 loss against Loyola.

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## Home sweet home



DOMINIC BAIMA | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Check out page 8 to read the full story on Eastern's victory over Illinois State in the 102nd Mid-America Classic.

Eastern's football team holds the Mid-America Classic trophy, after defeating the Illinois State University Redbirds 57-24 Saturday at O'Brien Stadium. This is the 102nd Mid-America Classic between the Panthers and the Redbirds. Eastern won the trophy back after losing it to Illinois State last season.

CITY | BOTANY

## Community celebrates garden's anniversary

By Rachel Rodgers  
Special Projects Reporter  
@rj\_rodgers

Despite scarce water sources, a wild brush fire, frequent flooding, harsh winters and intense drought, the Wesley Whiteside Botanical Garden has grown to house about 700 species of plants after 50 years. Dozens of people from around the state gathered at the five-acre garden Sunday to celebrate its 50th anniversary by learning about the history of the site and its diverse vegetation. The garden contains an extensive collection of North American species but also houses plants from around the globe. Whiteside began his ties with Eastern in Fall 1960 when he accepted the position of assistant professor of botany. He retired in 1987 and taught subjects such as general botany, local flora, plant taxonomy, plant morphology and mycology. Ann Lawhead, of Hazel Dell, Ill., drove 30 minutes with her husband Kenny to see the garden her professor from more than 40 years ago had cultivated. "It was around 1969 when I was a zoology major and botany mi-



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Wesley Whiteside, a professor emeritus of botany, stands next to a rare Ben Franklin Tree, or Franklinia alatamaha, while speaking to a gathered crowd about the plant, Sunday at The Whiteside Garden. Whiteside started the garden 50 years ago and it now contains more than 700 species of plants from all over the world.

nor, and I just loved having him as a professor," she said. "He would always be so excited and knowledgeable about his subject."

While taking a self-guided tour of 95 different marked plants in the garden, Lawhead said she was partial to the paper-bark maple, a small

Chinese tree with orange-red bark and reddish leaves.

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CRIME

## 3 injured, sent to hospital

### 'Barn Party' ends after gunshots

By Bob Galuski  
News Editor  
@DEN\_News

According to a press release sent out by the Charleston Police Department, police responded to a shots fired call at 2:24 a.m. Sunday at 634 W. State Street and found two gunshot victims and one battery victim. The Charleston Fire Department transported the three injured people to Sarah Bush Lincoln Health Center. The gathering at 634 W. State St. was advertised as a "Barn Party," and was hosted by Eastern's fraternity Phi Beta Sigma, the release said. Police observed 300-400 people at the barn party, the release said. The release also said the party was hosted by G.O.M.A.B. Productions. G.O.M.A.B. is the motto of Phi Beta Sigma.

According to the Murray State Website on the Phi Beta Sigma page, the "G" stands for "guidance," the "O" stands for "obstacle," the "M" stands for "mind," the "A" stands for "atmosphere" and "B" stands for "blasted."

The administrations offices for the Charleston Police Department, University Police Department and Mattoon Police Department were closed Sunday, and officials were unavailable to comment. Members of Phi Beta Sigma did not return phone calls to comment on the incident.

The investigation is currently ongoing. Dan Nadler, the vice president for student affairs, sent out an email to all students at around 4:45 p.m. Sunday, reiterating the CPD's press release. Additional information was also provided in the email, including saying if anybody had any information about the shooting, they are to contact the CPD at 348-5221. The email also detailed where students can find safety precautions on Eastern's Website at <http://www.eiu.edu/~stuaff/safety.php>.


Before the "Barn Party", those attending met in the strip mall's parking lot on W. Lincoln Avenue and waited to be picked up by buses to go to the warehouse on W. State Street. Shards of glass and shreds of paper littered the parking lot, extending from the strip mall's parking lot to Lakeview College of Nursing's parking lot. Alcohol bottles were stacked set up near light posts.

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STUDENT GOVERNMENT| SCHOOL SPIRIT

Students ‘Unite in Blue’ for game

By Stacey Catterson  
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Student Senate members strengthened the football spirit at Eastern’s first home game of the season with “United in Blue.”

The senate members hosted “United in Blue” in order to promote more school spirit by giving out spirit items and teaching the fight song.

To get the student body excited about the first home game of the season, the senate members decided to try something new this year and bring giant head cutouts to the games.

Student Senate Speaker Jesse Green, a senior finance and accounting major, said they got the idea of the cardboard cutout from other universities.

In the stands, students were wearing the giant head cutouts of Coach Dino Babers, quarterback Jimmy Garoppolo, wide receiver Erik Lora, defensive back Nick Beard, linebacker Robert Haynes and defensive back Pete Houlihan.

“People are really excited about them,” Green said. “It pumps up the crowd.”

More giveaways like shakers, posters and foam fingers were also passed out for students to enjoy in the gaming experience.

With only one-week worth of preparations before the kickoff, the senate members were able to pull off “United in Blue.”

Green said all the preparation plays a really big factor to the college football experience.

“We had two victories previously



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Maya Alva, a 6-year-old Charleston resident, has her face painted during tailgating Saturday behind O'Brien Stadium. Alva said she does not know anyone on the team, but likes to watch the game with her family.

so we made sure to bring giveaways for the students,” Green said.

Reginald Thedford, a junior political science major and student affairs committee chair, said he accepted the challenge and started making moves to take action to those idea and implement them right away before the game on Saturday.

“We put it together with the help of student government and without them we wouldn’t have gotten sponsorship help with giveaways,” Thedford said.

The school spirit for the team is going to help football players when they see our support it will pump them up, Thedford said.

Phillip Love, a sophomore political science major and the diversity affairs committee chairman, said the giveaways at the games enhance the spirit and the students respond well to it.

Morgann Woodruff, a senior English major, said the energy throughout the night was infectious with the crowd.

Irving Coleman, a senior art major, said the game against Illinois State University was very uplifting.

“I liked how everyone was rooting

for the team it makes me want to me more cheerful,” Colman said.

Love said this year the senate is getting help from everybody and they want to bring a fun atmosphere that is bigger and better for the students.

Student government plans to provide the “Blue Out” spirit promotion again for the basketball team and two to three more events this semester.

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CAMPUS| DEVELOPMENT

Conference teaches leadership skills

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The National Residence Hall Honorary members hosted their Fall Leadership Conference, “The Lyrics of Leadership” on Saturday on Saturday in Coleman Hall.

Presenters at the conference taught and spoke with students who attended the values and tips they should use when in a leadership role.

NRHH Vice President Katherine Johnson, a senior psychology and accounting major, said the conference was focused towards those in residence halls.

Johnson said they accepted the walk-ins, but most of those who went signed up.

Seth Killen, the keynote speaker of the conference and music pro-

fessor, spoke of the importance of a leader’s relationship with his constituencies.

Killen said it is important to appreciate someone’s effort and not their success because they need to be motivated to try again.

Killen said his job is dependent on him leading students, as well as students wanting to be led by him.

After the speech, those who attended were then able to participate in several programs to learn skills to better themselves as leaders like the “Inspiring Students to LEAD” program.

Sally Adams, the area director of Thomas Hall and NRHH Secretary Nick Fulco, presented the program.

It involved more of a roundtable discussion how someone might inspire students.

Adams said it is vital to speak to the interest of the students when leading.

“It is important for their needs and wants to be heard,” Adams said. “Working on the needs of the students will inspire them to greater and to inspire them to meet the needs of others.”

Michael King, the area director of Taylor Hall and NRHH Sustainability Coordinator Tyler Vollmer presented “PokeLeadership: Building a Perfect Team.”

This program featured at the conference used Pokémon to teach those who took part in the program how to understand how to identify and use someone’s strengths and weakness to their advantage.

In the program, everyone took a survey to see what Pokémon they were.


“If you have all of one type of

Pokémon, it is going to be unbalanced,” Volmer said. “If have leaders with different strengths can cover other leaders’ weaknesses and it is going to be a much more balanced team.”

Doyle Nave, a sophomore German and history major, said while he had to be at the conference because of his position, he has developed his leadership because of it.

“Last year, some of the conferences were very helpful,” Nave said. “It teaches good leadership qualities in the seminars.

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Chris Starbird, a junior family and consumer sciences major, looks eagerly for responses to his work fliers for ENT 3300. The fliers will remain posted, “as long as people need my help,” Starbird said.

# Class inspires student to continue work service

**By Sean Copeland**  
Online Editor  
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Chris Starbird, a junior family and consumer sciences major, said it all started when he helped a professor move out of his house.

After helping a professor transport his furniture, Starbird was inspired on how he could complete his ENT 3300, Foundations of Entrepreneurship, project.

Jeff Oetting, Starbird’s professor, had asked the class how the students could improve their net worth by \$40, and in the last eight years of doing this project with his students, Starbird would be the first to publicize his willingness to earn money through service.

“Initially I was a bit nervous about it, but the approach I took to it was, ‘Well, I’m just going to try some stuff and see what happens,’” he said. “So I decided I would post these fliers saying basically just what I want.”

Students earned the amount through frugal spending, selling goods and even

gambling, in the case of one student, to earn their way to \$40.

Starbird remembered Oetting’s lecture as he worked towards the amount: “You get out of it what you give into it.”

Though the assignment project ended weeks ago and other students have moved on, Starbird has planned to continue providing a helping hand to others.

“I want to do something that adds value to someone else’s life,” Starbird said. “You know I can sell something on eBay, and maybe that adds value to someone’s life, but I think serving someone is a more tangible way of adding value to a person.”

The fliers will continue to hang in several buildings on campus, including Klehm, Coleman and Buzzard halls, as a reminder to others that Starbird is out there willing to perform computer repair, cooking and catering and other odd jobs.

Though not the perfect student, Starbird suggests everyone take the class as a way to learn what Oetting calls,

“The business of you.”

“My mentality has already changed since taking this class,” he said. “I admittedly haven’t always turned in my best work to professors, but I think [Oetting] has done a great job in instilling drive in students and making them sincerely better at what they’re doing.”

So far though, Starbird said the initial response has been lackluster.

He believes this has more to do with people not knowing who he is, but he remains positive in the hopes more people will respond over time.

“I have no problem engaging people, but it’s different when you’re asking people for their money,” Starbird said. “I was hoping for more of a response in the fliers, but I don’t know that it’s a complete rejection.”

One day Starbird hopes to own his own independent café, but for now works in Klehm’s faculty café, cooking all kinds of dishes including cakes, pies and a wide variety of other dessert items.



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Starbird was disappointed with the amount of people who responded to his fliers. “I don’t see it as a complete rejection, but it’s definitely frustrating,” he said.

Past the fliers, Starbird said he might start a business while he’s in college, but until then he just wants to see what will happen and who will respond next.

“As long as there are people here

that need my help I’ll continue to do this,” he said.

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ROCFest builds bonds, friendships

The annual Residents on Campus Festival is here, which allows on-campus hall residents and Greek Court residents to join together in a series of competitions between the different on-campus residence halls.

The festival is a tradition that has been organized by the Residence Hall Association for eight years.

The tradition of friendly competition between the halls was started in 2005 and residents have participated in the competitions ever since.

Throughout the years, some halls have gained reputations within the contest, like Weller Hall’s four-year winning streak.

The contests can be fun and provide the opportunity to bond with others in your hall. With classes and friends, sometimes residents do not find the time to meet people in their halls, or sometimes even on their floor.

Friendships are important during college and the festival provides another opportunity to forge those friendships.

This festival puts halls against each other in friendly competition and helps to forge bonds between all of the halls.

The activities are varied so that everyone should be able to find something that they are interested in or good at.

Athletic residents have the obstacle course at 4:30 p.m. Tuesday on the South Quad or the boat race at 5 p.m. Monday on the Campus Pond.

The boat race, one of the biggest events of the week, requires the halls to build a boat out of cardboard, tape and other materials and to sail them across the Campus Pond.

The window-painting contest will give those who are creative and

artistic a chance to compete. It is judged by different RHA representatives and University Housing and Dining Staff.

A scavenger hunt allows those residents with investigative abilities to participate from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday.

Bingo is from 7 to 9 p.m. on Tuesday in Lawson Hall. Students can participate just by playing a game.

The different events allow people with all types of skill to participate, so it is harder for people to

be left out.

Each event gives the halls a certain amount of points to help determine the winner at the end of the week.

By participating in the events of ROCFest, on-campus residents will create a better bond to their campus community.

Students who help with different parts of the competitions get the satisfaction that they were partly responsible for helping to get their hall points.

Students do not have to participate in every event or competition, but should try to support their residence hall as much as they can.

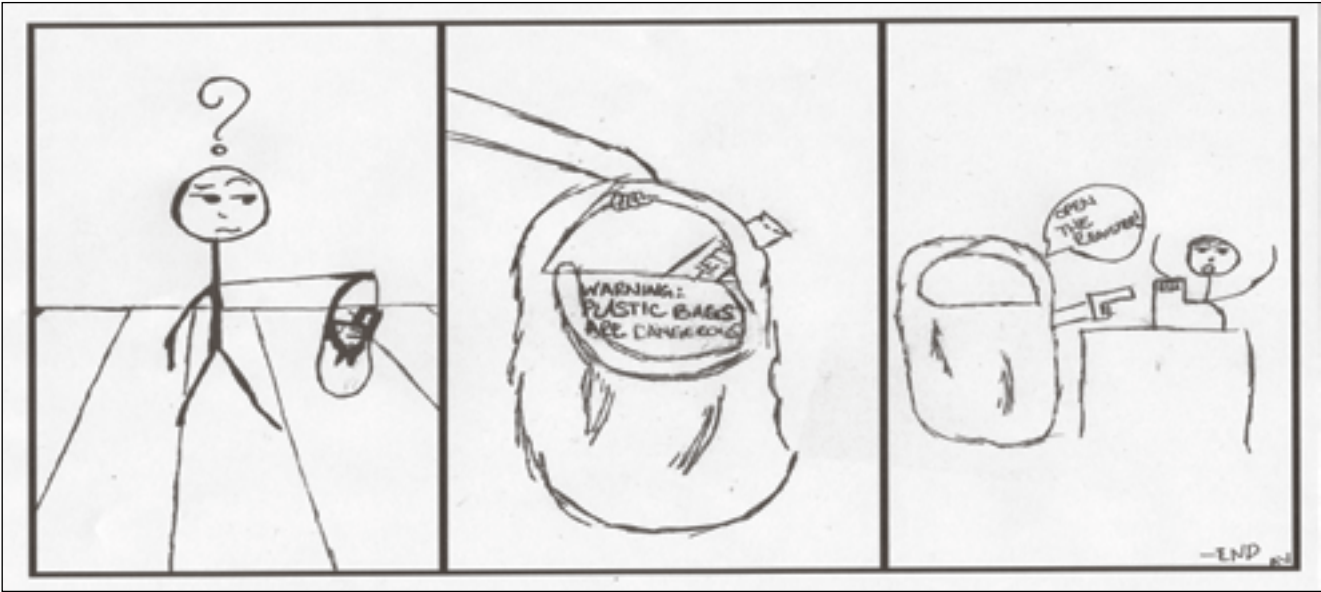
There is no reason students cannot find a place to help, whether it is by painting a window or throwing out an idea to help make the boat float better.

Living on campus provides the opportunity to be close to hundreds of other students and ROCFest allows them to connect in another way.

Besides, sometimes the competitions are comical. Who doesn’t want to watch someone sink in the campus pond?

The daily editorial is the majority opinion of the editorial board of The Daily Eastern News.

DRAWN FROM THE EASEL



ALEX VILLA | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Keep calm in Charleston, it’s safe



Kyle Daubs

and a battery victim.

Yes, this is horrible, but, once again, Charleston is not a dangerous city.

According to the article “Charleston ranked third best city in Illinois to raise a young family” published by The Daily Eastern News on June 24, Mike Anderson, an analyst at Nerdwallet, ranked the Illinois cities by looking at certain criteria: the average home value, the monthly home costs, the average household income, a school rating and the city growth from 1999 to 2011.

Charleston was ranked the third best overall city for a family to settle down in. I would like to think that if this is such a great city to settle down in, then it is somewhat safe as well.

Look, bad things happen. Charleston is

filled with a lot of great people, but there are bad people who live here who try to ruin it for the rest of us. It’s like that in nearly every city across America.

In Charleston, I am not afraid to walk at night. The worst part of town is over near Madison Avenue, and that’s really not that sketchy.

If you read The Chicago Tribune on a daily basis, Charleston looks like a safe haven. For those who don’t, pick up a copy and you will understand.

We should also give a shout out to the Charleston Police Department. I have some friends that work for the department. One of those friends was interning that night. Based on their testimonies, and Facebook posts, the police department handled the situation flawlessly, so hats off to you guys.

We shouldn’t forget about this event, but we should keep our heads and stay calm.

This is still a safe town.

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CAMPUS | COMPETITION

# ROCFest to fill week with contest

By Jarad Jarmon  
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The Residence Hall Association members will be hosting their ninth annual weeklong competition, ROCFest Monday through Friday.

Each day, students within the residence halls and Geek Court will be able to participate in competitions of the day.

Every competition will provide points for their hall, which ultimately might win them the RHA award.

Residence hall students will be pit against other hall members in order to win their hall the ROCFest guitar with signatures of all the winners from previous years.

Mark Hudson, the director of Housing and Dining, said this will create a bond and memories between students in the residence halls.

“It is an opportunity to put the gas in the motor of your community,” Hudson said. “It puts a face on RHA.”

Each hall is designated a specific theme for the week, for instance Pemberton Hall’s theme is “Rockin’ the Red Carpet” while Thomas will be “Rockin’ around the clock.”

These themes dictate the window paintings for their hall.

Two RHA advisers and two executive board members will judge the residence halls on their window paintings at 8:30 p.m. Monday.

The RHA Vice President Patrick Morrow, who is running the event, said the judges have not been decided yet.

The RHA will kick off ROCFest week with the Boat Relay Race at 5 p.m. Monday at the Campus Pond.

In the race, students from each hall will be racing their cardboard and duct tape boats through the cold pond water in hopes they will win as well as not sink.

Only five people from each hall can



OLIVIA S. DIGGS | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Pemberton residents build a boat Friday, for a boat race that will take place on Monday as part of ROCFest. ROCFest stands for Residents on campus and each residence hall competes against each other in a week long series of competitions.

participate in the race.

However, others from the halls can be there to sign up and cheer on the participants in the competition, which will provide points for their hall.

There will be two launchers and three drivers per team.

Some changes were made this year to ROCFest including the addition of the RHA community service component.

The RHA executive board will be

presenting an item drive for Camp New Hope.

The RHA Secretary Dawn Howe said they will be donating items to New Hope because they provide the RHA members with a setting for their Fall Retreat.

Camp New Hope has a list of items wanted for donation are provided on the Camp New Hope website.

“The items really are not expensive,” Howe said. “The most expensive

thing they have on (the list) is the Wii games.”

The scavenger hunt at 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Thursday has been reworked as well.

Those caught following the executive board when they are hiding the “Panther Babies,” which are small origami panthers that will be strewn across campus, will be disqualified.

The obstacle course is another big competition for ROCFest.

Teams of four from each hall will have to run as fast as they can through an inflatable obstacle course at 4:30 p.m. Wednesday in the South Quad.

The ROCFest week will end with their closing picnic 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friday, which will have food and entertainment such as inflatable jousting.

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## » GARDEN CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Whiteside experiments with the ability of plants to adapt in a foreign environment, testing their durability through Illinois winters, said Brad Daugherty, a graduate student who has worked at the garden since 2010.

Daugherty is currently formulating his thesis and creating a database to archive all of the plants in the garden, some dating back several decades.

“Almost every year, Dr. Whiteside has attempted to grow plants to challenge their suggested winter hardiness for our area,” he said. “Usually, the event confirms their suggested hardiness and it is lost, but occasionally, he has found success where it was suggested otherwise.”

The Ben Franklin Tree serves as an example of a plant surviving in the Illinois climate, even though its native territory is more than 500 miles away.

Whiteside said despite the problems with the tree, it is one of his favorite plants in the garden. John Bartrum, the first U.S. botanist, discovered the tree in 1765 in Southeastern Georgia, and it was last seen growing in the wild in 1803, Whiteside added.

“It has never been found anywhere but a couple acres in Southeastern Georgia, and it is susceptible to a fungus from cotton,” he said.

The tree was normally littered with hundreds of white flowers in late summer and fall, but damage from cicadas left the tree to blossom few flowers this year.

Though the Ben Franklin Tree stirs great interest in Whiteside, he said he appreciates his collection of magnolias the best for their “showy appearance and regard as rather primitive plants.” The garden contains one of the most extensive collections of magnolias in the Midwest.

Whiteside made an estate gift to Eastern during the November 2011 Board of Trustees meeting, donating a sizeable amount of his land to Eastern once he dies. The plan for the property is to serve as an educational research facility for the university, and farmland could be used to grow crops to be tested with the Renewable Energy Center or to be rented for cash crops.

Whiteside began gardening at his country home in Moline, Ill., when he



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Charleston resident Lynne Padoban sits with a cat living at the Whiteside Garden while listening to a speaker Sunday for the garden’s 50th anniversary. Many members of the audience referred to the cat as “Spider Cat” because he climbed throughout the garden.

was in the third grade, and he has continued his passion for more than 70 years.

“He is an incredible educator—patient, enthusiastic and legendary in Illinois botany,” Daugherty said. “He out-

works any intern in the heat in this garden, giving them a run for their money.”

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These remnants were evident the next morning when Mayor Larry Rennels stopped by to survey the mess.

The various shreds of tickets for the “Barn Party” in the parking lot had numbers printed well into the 800s.

Rennels said the CPD had already known about the condition of the parking lot when he arrived.

“Police were already aware of what happened,” Rennels said.

He added they were in contact with the storeowners so they would know about the mess.

He also said it would most likely be up to property owners to clean up the mess.

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SOCCER | OVERVIEW

Loyola downs Panthers 3-0, still winless

By Michael Spencer  
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Junior forward Samantha Gage played 33 minutes and took five shots, putting four on target, and scored twice in Loyola's 3-0 women's soccer win against Eastern.

Gage started on the bench for Loyola coach Barry Bimbi

Her first touch of the game was a header from a corner kick that she guided to the back post for a score that put Eastern down a goal in the 21st minute.

The next goal came less than six minutes later when Gage ran onto an early cross into the penalty area. Gage was able to get around her defender at the top of the six-yard box and turn the ball to goal with the inside of her right foot.

Gage was subbed-out just minutes later and did not see the field for the rest of the match.

After winning a corner, Gage came on for junior midfielder Monika Lee. Gage jogged onto the field, took up her spot in 18-yard box and then buried the first goal of the game.

She added the second goal in the 27<sup>th</sup> minute before being pulled from the field.

The final goal of the match came when sophomore defender Brielle Haupt flicked the ball through with her head to sophomore forward Kara Ruffolo. A touch around sophomore goalkeeper Cortney Jerzy allowed her to have an open shot that she tucked neatly inside the right post to make the score 3-0.



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Junior midfield forward Meagan Radloff goes up against Loyola midfielder Kaylee Gambadoro in a game on Sept. 15 at Lakeside Field.

Jerzy was replaced in goal by red-shirt freshman Kylie Morgan for the second half, but interim head coach Jason Cherry said that was a change he expected to make.

"It was something I already planned on doing," Cherry said.

After allowing his goalkeepers to battle for the position, Cherry said he plans to select a permanent starter after this week.

An uneventful first half was punctuated by an injury to freshman forward Gabby Charles who went down

clutching her knee in the closing stages of the match.

Cherry and a member of the training staff did not speculate on the severity of the injury but the Wisconsin native was unable to leave the field under her own power.

Eastern fall to 0-6 on the season and will take on Drake at 3:30 p.m. Friday on Lakeside Field.

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WOMEN | RECAP

Rugby starts season with three straight losses

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The Eastern women's rugby team has lost three games in a row for the first time since 2001.

On Saturday, Eastern traveled to the University Pittsburgh to play against the program for the first time, and lost 14-5.

Down 14-0 at halftime, Eastern sophomore Carissa Burge scored the lone try, making that her first score of the season and ninth try of her career.

Coach Frank Graziano said he preached defense all week in practice and that showed up in Saturday's game.

Eastern held Pittsburgh to 14 points; the lowest point total they have allowed all season.

"Defense was really good, unfortunately we had a handful of defensive breakdowns and that is where they got their points from," Graziano said. "We tackled a lot better, and that was really important in our plan, and we used our defense to create some offense."

Eastern had three different players that had double-digit tackles in

Saturday's game.

Emalie Thornton led the Panthers with 12 tackles. Ellen Wilson and Burge had 11 and 10 tackles, respectively.

Senior Shelby Pilch, who had two tackles on the day said her team showed much improvement from the previous two games.

"This game we improved in every aspect of our game, including defense and tackling," Pilch said. "But, we have yet to break the threshold."

With the first two games being blowouts for Eastern, coach Graziano got to see the way the girls played in a close game throughout.

He said he was impressed with the way the girls handled themselves.

"Even though we lost the first three games of the season their confidence is really good," Graziano said.

Pilch said the Panthers played with more intensity and confidence than in the previous two games.

"The team handled the tight-knit game very well," Pilch said. "We created many scoring opportunities with our defensive improvements. Unfortunately, we just couldn't con-



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Ellen Wilson, a junior lock, shoves through opponents in an attempt to make a pass during a game on the 7th at Lakeside Field.

vert on those opportunities."

With the loss, the Panthers dropped to 0-3.

Coach Graziano said he was happy with the way the team played Saturday.

"Considering the first two games were blowouts, and now you could see the girls are starting to understand where they are supposed to be defensively, which makes it much easier to tackle," Graziano said.

Eastern will travel to Grand Valley State on Sunday and the game will kickoff at 8:30 a.m.

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Bradley placed first overall with 21 points, while host Illinois State took second with 47 points. Illinois-Chicago rounded out the top-three with 110 points.

Northern Illinois tallied 111 points for a fourth place finish. Eastern's 115 points put the Panthers in fifth place, while Northern Iowa scored 135 points to finish sixth.

The individual winner for the

women's race was Kristen Busch of Bradley.

The next meet for both teams will not be until October 4<sup>th</sup> 2013. They will compete in the University of Notre Dame's Blue-Gold Invite in South Bend, IN.

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him out of the second half against Loyola. Plant played the full 90 minutes Sunday but wore a brace.

Red-shirt freshman Ben Feltes got the start in goal Sunday as sophomore Garrett Creasor made way for the Iowan. Feltes had five saves and conceded three goals against Western Michigan and Creasor made two saves while giving up four goals against Loyola.

"I just went out there with a mentality to do everything I could to keep my

team in the game," Feltes said.

For Howarth, the position battle has begun.

"I think it's always up for grabs," he said. "I think Ben did fine. He dealt with everything he needed to. Everything is wide open. We take it week-to-week."

In Eastern's match with Loyola, junior forward Brian Bement netted two goals in the first half and completed his hat trick in the 52nd minute when he knocked home his own rebound to put

Loyola up 3-1.

When the Panthers met Western Michigan, freshman Matheau Rogers lead the way for the Broncos with one goal and an assist.

Eastern will be back in action Friday as they travel to Evansville, Ind., to play Green Bay in the Evansville Classic. It will be the final regular season tournament.

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FOOTBALL | HOME OPENER

# Panthers make history in 57-24 route

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Eastern quarterback Jimmy Garoppolo went into the Panthers' locker room at halftime, leading 44-10 over Illinois State.

The senior had thrown six touchdowns in the first half, which tied the school's single-game record. Garoppolo had no clue he was on the brink of history.

He would eventually become the program record holder by the end of the Panthers' 57-24 win.

His teammate Erik Lora was also close to breaking history heading into the 102nd Mid-America Classic at O'Brien Field. The Panther receiver entered with 230 career receptions — second all-time in the Ohio Valley Conference.

Lora's second catch of the game tied the record. The Miami native raced away from the Illinois State defense, his long brown hair fluttering out from underneath his helmet as he ran into the end zone with a 63-yard touchdown.

With the Panthers leading 27-10 in the second quarter, Garoppolo stepped back to throw and he found Lora for the third time in the first half. The 16-yard gain was then followed by another catch by Lora, which then set-up a 30-yard touchdown by Adam Drake.

Lora finished with 10 catches, putting his career total at 240. Not only did Lora set a record Saturday night, he also informed Garoppolo that he was about to set a record as well.

"At halftime we were sitting in there and Erik said, 'Hey, you know you're tied with the record right now.' I didn't know that, but he let me know," Garoppolo said.

Eastern was ahead 50-17 heading to the fourth quarter, but Garoppolo was still tied for the record. With 13:55 remaining, Garoppolo made history.

On third down and goal from the Redbirds' seven-yard line, Lora made a diving catch, sealing the record for



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Erik Lora, a senior wide receiver, runs the ball down the field during the 102nd annual Mid-America Classic tournament against Illinois State University. The game made Lora the Ohio Valley Conference's leader in receptions.

Garoppolo. The seven touchdowns thrown by Garoppolo, passed the record that was previously held by Tony Romo and Garoppolo's quarterback's coach in high school Jeff Christensen.

"(Christensen) actually texted me tonight," Garoppolo said. "He was happy for me, a little jealous at the same time, but he was happy. I wouldn't be here without him."

Eastern coach Dino Babers said he finally felt the team played a clean game.

"We left 14-21 points on the table at San Diego State and felt like we left about 14-21 points on the table at SIU," he said. "I think tonight they

cleaned their plates. I don't think we left anything on the table."

Babers said Garoppolo is a good player, adding that people should not wait any longer to take notice.

Garoppolo was quick to give credit to the rest of his teammates, who combined to break Eastern's single-game record for yards on offense.

The Panthers ran the ball for 248 yards and threw for 491 more, totaling 739 yards. The 27-year-old record was broken by 56 yards.

"Our receivers did a great job of getting off press coverage," Garoppolo said. "The line held up front. It was an all around great effort. The running

game looked good, the pass protection looked good. We really have to credit those guys up front."

Eastern improved to 3-0 while Illinois State fell to 0-2.

Illinois State coach Brock Spack said he has always been a Garoppolo fan, but was happy this was the last time he would have to face him.

"Thank God this is the last time I see him," Spack said. "He was red hot. The fades he threw were tremendous."

Garoppolo has thrown 13 touchdowns in four games against Illinois State.


The Eastern quarterback is now seven touchdowns away from becoming

the OVC's all-time leader for passing touchdowns.

Garoppolo said hopefully he and Lora could break more records in their next game against Northern Illinois.

"Two records in one night, hopefully next week we'll get a couple more," he said.

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CROSS COUNTRY | ISU MEET

## Men place fourth, women finish fifth at ISU Invitational

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The Eastern men's and women's cross country team competed in the Illinois State Country Financial Cross Country Invite.

The men's team placed fourth, while the women finished fifth. Mike Hesslau was once again the top runner for the men's team, placing 10th overall in the field individually.

Hesslau posted a time of 25:01.65 in the 8K race. The overall winner for the 8K race was Ryan Rutherford of Illinois State.

The rest of the Panthers top five finishers included Pablo Ramirez (19th, 25:12.67), Riley McNerney (20th, 25:16.24), Joe Calio (21st, 25:18.83) and Bryce Basting (27th, 25:34.44).

North Central College finished in first with 27 points. Host Illinois State finished runner-up with 42

points, Bradley came in third with 65 points, Eastern earned 97 points in its fourth place finish, while Northern Iowa and Illinois-Chicago finished fifth and sixth with 124 and 178 points, respectively.

Going into the meet, North Central's men's team was ranked number one among all Division III programs.

On the women's side, freshman Emily Brelsfoard was once again the first Panther to finish the race in 14th place. Her time was 18:11.99 in the 5K race.

The rest of the women's top five finished as follows: Victoria Querton (24th, 18:37.59), Rachel Garippo (32nd, 18:50.25), Gaby Dueñas-Delaney (36th, 18:53.36), and Kelsey Hardimon (38th, 18:54.11).

Illinois State and Bradley were both regionally ranked among the women, with Illinois State being ranked the highest at seventh.

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SOCCER | MEN'S

## Eastern goes 0-4 in tournament

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The Eastern men's soccer team dropped to 0-4 this weekend after losing to Loyola and Western Michigan in the 50-Years of Men's Soccer tournament at Lakeside Field.

Loyola topped the Panthers by a score of 4-1 and Western Michigan managed to win 3-1.

Adam Howarth, the men's soccer coach, said they had a lot to work on.

"Defensively, I think we're conceding way too many goals," Howarth said. "We're just having a hard time finding that killer, final ball."

Eastern tied its opponents in shots taken this weekend.

Also on hand was Northern Kentucky, who Eastern did not face this weekend after the two played at a tournament Aug. 8 in Dayton, Ohio.

Western Michigan came out on top in the tournament after defeating Northern Kentucky and Eastern to capture its first two wins of season.

Red-shirt sophomore midfielder Spencer Filosa and red-shirt junior midfielder Chris Boswell both returned for Eastern, as they were out from injuries at the start of the season.

In one of Filosa's first touches on the ball, he turned a header toward goal



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Junior forward, Tayron Martin, fights for possession against Western Michigan defender Sean Hazen in a game on Sept. 15 at Lakeside Field.

against Western Michigan. The shot arched into the top corner past sophomore goalkeeper Chase Rau to open the scoring Sunday afternoon. Filosa downplayed the moment after the match; he said his goal was not enough to lift his team over the Broncos.

"I just want to come back and work for my teammates," Filosa said. "I'll do what I can but it's about our teamwork and heart."

The return of injured players has been something Howarth said will be essential

to his team's success once conference play begins.

"No matter how you look at it, Spencer (Filosa), Chris Boswell, (red-shirt sophomore forward) Garett Christian, all those guys have started a lot of games," Howarth said. "We've got two of the three back. We're hoping (Christian) can get back here pretty quick. Those guys can change games for us."

Senior captain Jake Plant suffered a minor injury to his knee Friday that kept

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